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COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

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CONVERSION OF C-DOT
SWADESH CHAKRABORTTY

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any work has been undertaken for conversion of C-DOT 256 Rural Automatic Exchange (RAX) into V5.2 Access Network (AN RAXs) and analogue exchange has been replaced by digital exchanges in rural areas in West Bengal;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI A PRADHAN)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Action for procurement of AN RAX kits has already been initiated. All 511 numbers of analogue exchanges have been replaced by digital exchanges in the rural areas of West Bengal.

(c) Does not arise in view of (b) above.